FISCAL NOTE

SB 2786

January 31, 1998

SUMMARY OF BILL: Establishes a new regulatory program to be administered by the Department of Environment and Conservation and the Water Quality Control Board. The department shall have the authority and jurisdiction to regulate the establishment, permitting, design, construction, operation and management of any concentrated animal feeding operation and the use of flush system animal waste wet handling facilities. Requires the Department of Environment and Conservation to establish the *Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation Indemnity Fund* and expend the fund to close concentrated animal feeding operations that have been placed in the control of the government due to bankruptcy or failure to pay property taxes. Requires the Department of Environment and Conservation to conduct at least one onsite inspection of each facility quarterly.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant Increase State Revenues - Not Significant

The department states that regulatory activities required by the bill can be accomplished within existing resources. Revenues from fees are estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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